

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

The specification has been revised to include the attached Sequence Listing and above replacement paragraph to include corresponding sequence identifiers, without prejudice, to obviate the objection to the Sequence Listing and specification. The attached paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter has been added. Withdrawal of the objection to the Sequence Listing and specification is requested.

Claims 1-49, 53-59 and 64-73 have been canceled, and the claims amended, without prejudice. Claims 50-52, 60-63 and 74 are pending.

The Section 112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 53-58 and 64 is moot in view of the above.

The Section 112, second paragraph, rejection of claims 50-58, 60-64 and 74 is obviated by the above amendments. The claims are submitted to be definite. Withdrawal of the Section 112, second paragraph, rejection is requested.

The claims are submitted to be in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is requested. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned, preferably by telephone, in the event anything further is required.

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